Adult Residential Care Facilities

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What is an Adult Residential Facility?

Adult Residential Facilities (ARFs) are nonmedical facilities that provide room, meals, housekeeping, supervision, storage and distribution of medication, and personal care assistance with basic activities like hygiene, dressing, eating, bathing and transferring. This level of care and supervision is for people who are unable to live by themselves but who do not need 24 hour nursing care.

Barriers to Sufficient Numbers of ARFs

▶ 1) Financial Viability

▶ 2) Regulatory/Policy

▶ 3) Community Resistence

How is Council addressing this issue?

- Contacting recently closed facilities or facilities on brink of closure
- Creating a Tool-Kit for Mental Health Boards re: Community Resistance
- Exploring potential financing models

► Identifying problematic policies